



PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting Notes of February 17, 2016

Members present: Michael Babbitt, Charles Mathews, Jim Farrell, Jesse Knight and Gary Walvatne
Members absent: Chris Myers
Staff present: John Boyd, Planning Manager; Megan Thornton, Assistant City Attorney; Erich Lais, Assistant City Engineer

PREHEARING MEETING

Chair Babbitt called the work session to order in the Rosemont Room at City Hall. Mr. Boyd outlined the purpose of the pre-hearing meeting to the new commissioners, which is to discuss procedural, not substantive issues. Erich Lais, Assistance City Engineer will be attending in Lance Calvert's absence. Chair Babbitt handed out Councilor Martin's memo regarding CDC changes to Trails Design Review, Water Resource Area Exactions and Compliance with Metro, and PUDs.

(00:00:24)

REGULAR MEETING - CALL TO ORDER

Chair Babbitt called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

(00:00:30)

PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO LAND USE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

(00:00:49)

PUBLIC HEARING – TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE, MISC-12-03 (Staff: John Boyd)

Chair Babbitt provided an outline of how the meeting will proceed. After the preliminary legal matters, staff will make a presentation, followed by questions by the commission, public testimony will be taken, and final questions from the commission, at which time the hearing will be closed. The commission will discuss the proposal and make a recommendation to City Council. Council will hold a public hearing and come to a decision at a later date. The hearing commenced with a staff presentation by John Boyd, Planning Manager. Councilor Martin provided testimony regarding the Hidden Springs/Suncrest crossing. The commissioners continued with their discussion. The hearing was closed.

Commissioner Gary Walvatne **moved** to recommend adoption the Transportation System Plan Update, MISC-12-03, as written. Vice Chair Jesse Knight **seconded** the motion.

Ayes: Commissioner Charles Mathews, Commissioner Jim Farrell, Vice Chair Jesse Knight and Commissioner Gary Walvatne, Chair Michael Babbitt

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

The motion carried 5-0-0

Commissioner Charles Mathews **moved** to direct staff to prepare a memorandum recommending that the following three projects be included by the Council in the Transportation System Plan – 1. Improve pedestrian traffic at Suncrest Drive and Hidden Springs Road, with a high priority level, 2. Improve pedestrian traffic at Fields Bridge Park across Willamette Falls Drive, with a high priority level, and 3. Improve vehicular traffic at Dollar Street and Willamette Falls Drive with a priority level to be recommended by staff. The pedestrian improvements should be given a “high” priority level. Commissioner Farrell **seconded** the motion.

Ayes: Commissioner Charles Mathews, Commissioner Jim Farrell, Vice Chair Jesse Knight and Commissioner Gary Walvatne, Chair Michael Babbitt

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

The motion carried 5-0-0

(00:54:22)

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

None.

(00:54:28)

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM STAFF

Mr. Boyd provided handouts for both the City Council goals and the Planning Commission Worksheet which includes the PC draft goals. There is nothing on the agenda for March 2, 2016. The Planning Commissioners decided to go forward with a work session on 3/2 to discuss the code changes suggested by Councilor Martin.

(01:04.53)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Babbitt adjourned the meeting.